

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 11 and 16 have been canceled. Claims 1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 12, 13 and 15 are active in the case. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The present invention relates to a polymer composition that is useful for the injection molding of molded objects.

Claim Amendments

Claim 1 has been limited to methacrylate copolymers defined in the sets of Claims 3/4 and 6/7. Accordingly, entry of these amendments into the record is respectfully requested. Upon entry of the claims, Claims 1, 2 and 5 are believed to be in allowable form.

Claim Rejection, 35 USC 103

Having amended Claim 1 in the manner indicated, Claims 1, 2 and 5 are allowable over the prior art of record in the rejection based on 35 USC 103(a). Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Since Claim 1 is in allowable form, it seems that Claims 8 and 9 which depend on Claim 1 are also allowable, because they further limit the scope of the methacrylate copolymer component (d). Withdrawal of the rejection of these claims is respectfully requested.

Claim 12 directed to an object prepared by injection molding and Claim 13 directed to a method of producing a molded object are dependent upon the copolymer composition of Claim 1. Accordingly, by virtue of dependence, Claims 12 and 13 are also believed allowable. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Double Patenting Rejection

The Examiner indicates that the double patenting ground of rejection has been sustained. However, the copending case having Serial No. 10/575,929 has no indication on the record of allowable subject matter. Accordingly, the filing of a Terminal Disclaimer in this case would be premature. Upon the indication of allowable subject matter in the copending case, applicants will take appropriate action.

It is now believed that the application is in proper condition for allowance. Early notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

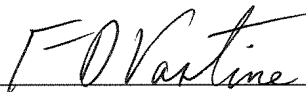
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